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**Applicant(s):** GOSSELIN, Georges et al.  
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**Title:** BOLTED METAL JOIST AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME  
**Examiner:** HORTON, Yvonne Michele  
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**AMENDMENT B**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 8, 2002. Please consider the following remarks.

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